

REMARKS

Claims 1-38 are pending in this application. The Office Action found these claims to contain the following two (2) inventions:

Group I: Claims 1 – 18 and 34 – 38, drawn to a device and method for regulating spatial light modulators and a plurality of light sources; and

Group II: Claims 19 – 33, drawn to a device for spatial light modulators with adjustable bandpass filters.

(Office Action, page 2).

The Office Action required restriction to one of the identified Groups. In response to the restriction requirement in the Office Action, Applicants hereby elect, without traverse, Group II (claims 19-33) for prosecution in the pending application. Applicants reserve the right to pursue claims in Group I in a divisional or continuation patent application.

In addition, the Office Action stated that the Certified Copy of the priority document had not been received. This application is a U.S. National Phase of International Application No. PCT/US02/033546, which was filed with the United State Patent and Trademark Office Receiving Office on October 21, 2002. Applicants understand that a certified copy of such international application is in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's file and is available. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that a certified copy of the priority document has been received by the Office.

Withdrawal of the statement that such Certified Copy has not been received by the Office, or an identification of the document for which the Office has no record, is kindly requested.

No fee is believed to be due with this Response. If a fee is due, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiencies to Deposit Order Account No. 11-0855.

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